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Let my comments state that I think the current settlement in the Microsoft case is an absolute farce. The current settlement simply helps Microsoft get more of a footing into another market that they want to "rule" : education. Proposing that MS give equipment and software to schools is like rolling out a red carpet and letting them walk right in with absolutely no competition. This settlement only perpetuates their abhorrent behavior of squashing the "little guy" with unlawful business practices. If this settlement goes through, it only shows that our government is more concerned with the welfare of big business and that they don't really care about the consumer.

If MS really wants to help education, let MS give them the cash and let educators decide what type of computer and operating system they want to purchase to help their schools and students. Don't limit their creativity by imposing even more MS products on them.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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